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Thermoplastic Rubber And Thermoplastic Sections

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## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed on April 7, 1999, please amend the abovecaptioned application as follows:

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the following claims:

1.(AMENDED) A[n] unitary extrusion comprising:

a flexible section of thermoplastic rubber;

a substantially rigid section of thermoplastic unitary with the

flexible section at a juncture of the sections; and

a torgue and groove [means] arrangement defined at the unitary

juncture of the flexible and rigid sections for increasing the surface area of the juncture.